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**Response and amendment 10/706,708  
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**REMARKS**

The parent application having serial number 09/545,486 was restricted into two groups consisting of claims 1-11, 15 and 12-14, 16-26. Applicant elected group I having claims 1-11 and 15 for prosecution. The parent application was allowed on 8/11/2003. The present divisional is directed to the non-elected claims of the parent application. Claims 12-14 and 16-26 were the claims of group II according to the restriction requirement. Currently, please cancel claims 31-33 and 43-48 without prejudice to their presentation in other applications. In the Office Action of January 10, 2005, claims 27-30 and 34-42 were allowed and claims 31-33 and 43-48 were rejected. Although Applicant does not agree with the arguments proposed by the Office, the presently rejected claims have been canceled, in order to facilitate allowance. Accordingly, all rejections and/or objections have been rendered moot. Applicants respectfully submit the application to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the present application is earnestly solicited.

**IX. Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at (800) 531-5088 x124 if there are any questions regarding Applicants' claimed invention.

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